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Ms Kay Sones
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39520

Dear Ms Sones:

Thank you so much for that nice note. It's good to know our service was appreciated! Of course, any kind of contribution would be appreciated. We are to have a new building soon, and any gift can be applied to buying something we particularly need in the Genealogy Division.

I am sending a copy of a page from the Census of 1840 for the Whole state of Indiana. The Bassetts seemed to be mainly in the northern part of the state, at that time.

I am also sending a page describing the services of our local history and genealogy division. Of course, the Indiana State Library, 140 N. Senate Ave., Indianapolis, 46204, has access to numerous records for all of the counties, and has many of the county histories for each. Also the Public Library of Fort Wayne and Allen County is famous for its unusually large and excellent genealogy collection. It is considered to be one of the best in the whole country these days.

I found nothing in our early cemetery records, but in Vigo County Marriage Licences from 1818 to 1850, I found one-Bassett, Purwell married Elizabeth Field June 3, 1829. The preacher was Burnam. Bassett is also mentioned in the County History by Bradsby, but I do not seem to find your A. L. or Kate Nelson. There is one name in the current telephone directory J. Harold Bassett, 119 Woodridge Dr. Possibly he might be a connection, in case you would like to write to him.

Sincerely,

Elizabeth R. Merrill
Elizabeth R. Merrill
Local History Division.

Dear Sirs,

I deeply appreciate the service you have given me from your geneological dept. In what way may I make a contribution to your library? Can you please tell me if there are other geneology libraries in Indiana and what kind of information from what areas of the state your library can help me with? What I'm after is information on A. L. Bassett born 1871 in Indiana and Kate Nelson Bassett born 1870 in Indiana. I know nothing more ~~about~~ about them and don't know where to start. I need to know when & where they were born and when & where they ~~was~~ died and when they were married.

Thank you very much,

Kay Sones

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BASSETT FAMILY
ANCESTORS OF BONNIE FARWELL

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FARWELL FAMILY.

Name.

Various meanings given - "A little short man with fat legs and thighs."

An old English Name. Old French, Bassit, Bassite, a dwarf.

Some of the name claim descent from Turstin, (Thurstine) Bassett

William the Conqueror's Grand Falconer.

They were connected on the female line with the Plantagenets,
1066 Osmund Bassett accompanied William the Conqueror to England.

1086 -----Bassett in the Domesday Book.

See Magazine of American Genealogy No.25, pp86 and 207.

Notes.

Queens of England. Agnes Strickland "Elizabeth Barrett imprisoned for saying, "What a man the King is! How many wives will he have?"

(Henry VIII) Vol.II p.326

Katharine Bassett's desire to be Maid of Honor. p.311

Anne Bassett, "Fair, well made, graceful" Maid of Honor, pp.311-312

Anne Bassett, 120 pearls from her mother Lady Lisle.

Lady Lisle married Arthur Plantagenet. Anne and Lady Lucy, Bassetts
were her first husband's children. p.281

Anne Bassett sent Henry VIII a gift of "quince marmalade and plum cheese."
pp.295-296

Immigrant Ancestor.

II William Bassett son of William (I) Bassett of Sandwich, England, lived
near Scrooby Church and went with The Pilgrims to Leyden, Holland, 1608.

Embarked from England on the Speedwell which proved unseaworthy. All
that could not be crowded on the Mayflower stayed in Plymouth, England.

Came to America on the second ship the Fortune, landed at Plymouth

Nov.19, 1621. One of twenty-seven heads of families. Moved to Duxbury,
Massachusetts, 1638 where he lived next door to Miles Standish. Was an
early settler and a proprietor of Bridgewater, Mass. Died at
Bridgewater 1667.

William Bassett

Armorer, gunsmith, blacksmith. Freeman 1633. Served in the Pequot War.
Deputy General Court 1640 - 1643. Member of Miles Standish Military
Company 1643. Constable 1652.

Was a citizen of note and is said to have brought with him the largest
and most valuable library in New England.

Marriages.

Barrett (C1128) says Wm. Bassett married in England Cecelia Light who
died before 1608. Intentions to wed Margaret Butler were read March 19,
1611, but she died before the third reading. He then married second
August 13, 1611 Margaret Oldham. These marriages are said by Buell Bassett
(B 466) to have been those of the father William rather than of the
immigrant William.

Married first

I. Elizabeth Neil (or Tilden) about 1621. S he died before 1650.

II. After 1651 Mary Tilden Lapham. Baptized Teaterdon Eng. 1610, living
1690.

Daughter of Nathaniel and Lydia Tilden. Widow of Thomas Lapham.

Children:

All first wife. All born at Plymouth.

1. William 1624 - 1670. Married Mary Rayneford b. 1632 d. 1694. daughter of
Edward.
2. Elizabeth b. 1626 d. 1670 married first, Thomas Burgess (divorced)
second, Wm. Hatch
3. Nathaniel b. 1628 d. 1709. Married first, Mary (or Dorcas Joyce),
second, Hannah.
4. Joseph b. 1629 d. 1712 or 1713. First marriage 1658 Mary Lapham (step-sister)
Mary Lapham D. 1641 d. 1676
Second marriage 1677 Martha Hobart 1647-1716
5. Sarah b. 1630 d. 1711 or 1712. Married 1648 Peregrine White, born 1620 on the
Mayflower, son of Wm. White and Susanna Fuller
Died 1704.
6. Ruth 1632. Married first John Sprague, son of Francis. Came to Plymouth
in the Ann. Killed at Pawtucket, R.I. March 26, 1676.
Second marriage ----- Thomas of Marshfield.
7. Jane b. 1634 Died young.

III Joseph Bassett

Joseph Bassett born Plymouth 1629 Died 1612-13.

Marriages:- 1658 Mary Lapham 1641 -1676.

1677 Martha Hobart 1647-1716 daughter of Edmund.

Joseph settled at Hingham, Mass. After his death Martha moved her family to Norton, Mass. Joseph was the only child mentioned in his father's will. He served as Constable and Surveyor of Highways.

Children:

1. Joseph married Bethiah Eaton Nov. 5, 1691
2. William (See IV)
3. Elnathau married Mary Hill, 1702
4. Lydia married Daniel Whittemore, 1692
5. Ruth 1671 - 1755 married John Whittemore 1692
6. Jeremiah married Mary Felch.

IV. William Bassett.

William Bassett married 1st Sarah Sweetland June 14, 1693
2nd Mary Bump 1703

Children: First wife -

1. William (See V)
- 2.
- 3.

Second Wife -

- 4.
- 5.
- 6.
- 7.
- 8.

V. Wm. Bassett.

William Bassett born Norton 1694 died Norton, Mass. 1783. Married 1718 Mary Crossman of Taunton born 1691. He owned a saw mill.

Children:

- 1.
- 2.
- 3.
- 4.
5. William (See VI)
- 6.

VI. William Bassett

William born Norton, Mass. died 1776. Married 1748 Lydia Fisher born 1730 daughter of Samuel and Hannah Thayer of Taunton.

Children:

- 1.
- 2.
3. Samuel (See VII)
- 4.
- 5.
- 6.
- 7.
- 8.
- 9.
- 10.
- 11.

VII. Samuel Bassett.

Samuel Bassett born at Norton Mass. 1754, died Keene, N.H. 1834. Before his 20th year he went to Keene, N.H. where he was a member of the militia 1773.

In the Revolution he served in both N.H. and Mass. Regiments. He was wounded at Bunker Hill. At one time his regiment passed through Swanzey, N.H. and the soldiers were refreshed by water drawn by Martha Belding (Belden) Their acquaintance thus begun resulted in their marriage, after the war. Martha born May 4, 1756 died 1842.

Census of Pensioners 1840 page 22. New Hampshire, Keene, Cheshire Co.

"Martha Bassett In care of Nathan Bassett."

Samuel's Military Service:

One of thirty patriots who marched under Captain Isaac Wayman on April 21, 1775, served as "freemer" (fifer).

In battle of Bunker Hill with Captain Stiles. On Mass. rolls as a freemer in regiment commanded by Col. Paul Dudley. Sargent 1776. In Washington's army in Co. of Capt. John Houghton of Keene, N.H. at battle of White Plains. In May 1777 in Co. of Capt. Davis Howlett of Keene at Ticonderoga.

Name on Monument at Keene erected by Ashutot Ch.D.A.R. April 14, 1904.

Samuel Bassett VII

Children of Samuel:

1. Wm. Bassett born Keene, N.H. Aug. 17, 1778 Removed to Keene, Ohio July 24, 1828
died Keene, Ohio Nov. 11, 1833
2. Martha Bassett (Patty) married Jonas Childs in Nelson or Keene, N.H.
3. Mary Bassett (Polly) married Robert Farwell
4. Samuel
5. Massa Sailor.
6. Elias
7. Nathan

VIII Wm. Bassett.

William Bassett born 1778, died 1833 married May 29, 1804 Elizabeth Stone,
born July 2, 1774 died Sept. 9, 1829, Keene, Ohio.

Children:

1. Eliza B. Aug. 6, 1805 ----d. 1899 Kansas
2. Martha b. Dec. 1807 ---died in Iowa
3. Mary b. Jan. 24, 1810 died Aug. 26, 1890, Ohio
4. Sarah Estabrook, born April 9, 1812 died June 22, 1902
5. Lura born May 23, 1814, died Feb. 14, 1894
6. Harriett born 1818, died 1878, Illinois

Nathan Bassett.

Nathan Bassett born 1798. 1818 married Harriett Willard - five children
1857 married Malvina S. White - five children

Children:

Charles born 1822
William died in Keene, N.H. 1894
Elizabeth

Nathan moved to Keene, Ohio 1849. Then to Muscatine, Iowa, then to Illinois
where he died 1882.

Charles' son C.O. Bassett born Keene, Ohio 1851, married 1875 Mary Stone

Hitchcock daughter of ---Hitchcock and Mary A. Stone of Lockport, N.Y.

Annals of Town of Keene, N.H. (1734 - 1790
(1790 - 1815

Hale.

VIII Mary Bassett

Mary Bassett (Polly) born 1788 married Robert Farwell Jan.12,1809 died
Liverpool, Illinois

Children:-

- 1.Charles married Grace Vail - one son Pulaski died Frederick,Ill.
- 2.Frank - S.E.Kansas
- 3.Maro -married Ann Felbws
- 4.Caroline -married Keene, O. Rev.J.D.Whitam, Sept.1844
- 5.Welthy married Samuel Vail, Keene 1836/37
- 6.Rose married Dr. Lucius Howard, Keene Dec.4,1844
- 7.Seth -----Granger, Ill.
- 8.Robert -----Princeton,Ill.
- 9.Lewis -----Liverpool, Ill.

VIII Patty Bassett (Martha)

Patty Bassett (Martha) married Jonas Childs in Nelson or Keene,N.H.

Children:

- 1.Priscilla married Rev.Kingsbury,Missionay to Choctaw Indians.
- 2.Bassett
3. Dakin -(Jonas Dayton) Borton)
4. Martha married Joash Langley, died N.Ohio) DDakin and Martha -twins
- 5.Nathan New Liberty, Ky.
- 6.Sarah -----Kentucky

VIII Caroline Farwell

Caroline Farwell married Rev.J.D.Whitam,Sept.1844. died Randolph, Neb.

Children:

- 1.Eugene H. -----Rankin, Ill.
- 2.Robert Farwell -----Seattle, Wash.
- 3.George L. -----Seattle,Wash.
- 4.Charles S. -----Randolph, Nebr.

VIII. Welthy Belding

Welthy Belding married Samuel Vail 1836/1837, Keene.

Children:

1. Robert Vail, California
2. Edward Vail, Decatur, Ill.
3. Polly Bassett, California
4. Alice, Texas
5. Rusine, Deceased.

VIII. Rose Farwell

Rose Farwell married Lucius Howard, M.D., Dec. 4, 1844

Children:

1. Dick L., Jefferson, Iowa - married Annette Cooper, Keene, Ohio, Nov. 30, 1871.
Children:

1. Carrie b. Sept. 5, 1872 d. Sept. 1880
2. Willie Grove b. Jan. 30, 1875 - Des Moines, Iowa
3. Warner Whitham b. Jan. 30, 1881 - Jefferson, Iowa

2. Carrie Howard (Carrie Rose)

Married at Keene, Ohio, Nov. 30, 1871, L.B. Kinsey

Children:

1. Lucius Howard b. Oct. 5, 1873, Granger, Iowa
2. Carl B. b. Oct. 13, 1877. Dana, Greene Co., Iowa
3. Bruce W. b. April 18, 1884 " " "
4. Rex F. b. March 26, 1886 " " "
5. Robt. S. b. Oct. 23, 1892 " " "

IX. ELIZA BASSETT

Eliza Bassett daughter Wm. and Elizabeth Stone Bassett born New Hampshire, Aug. 6, 1805, married Enos Emerson, died 1899 at Waushara, Lyon Co., Kansas.

Children:

1. Wm. Bassett Died 1869 - married Josephine Adams. Invalid after Civil War 1861-1865 - Five children.

IX. ELIZA BASSETT—continued from p.7.

Children:

2. Elizabeth Stone, married Reo Adams - seven children.
 3. Emily Amanda died aged 8.
 4. Lester P. died at Nashville, 1861-1865.
 5. Cyrus, died aged 2.
 6. Sewall Spalding, married Mary L. Welch. Invalid after Civil War 1861-1865
two boys.
 7. Joseph J., Emporia Kansas. In Civil War. Married Lizzie Norman, 8 children.
 8. Benjamin B. Died in Civil War.
 9. Lura Amanda Died in infancy.
 10. Oscar Adams Married Carrie Boucher. M.E. Minister now deceased. 7 ch.
 11. Charles C. Married Cassie Conrade. M.E. Minister. Both deceased. 6 ch.
- X. Oscar Adams Emerson married Carrie Boucher.

Children:

1. Eliza Blanche, born Nov. 21, 1878 widow of Dr. A.H. Gavin. Two children,
Waldo and Mary.
 2. Charles Oscar, born Feb. 24, 1881 married Sara Luke, daughter Clara
 3. Hiram Boucher, born April 10, died May 15, 1883.
 4. Howard Bassett, born Nov. 20, 1884, M.D. Erie, Pa. married Sara Williams.
Children: Edith, Oscar A., Howard B.
 5. Ralph Waldo, June 2, 1889, High School Teacher, Pittsburgh, married
Jean Wilson, one daughter Marian.
 6. Edward Boucher, Sept. 25, 1895. Wife Jessie - Three children near Pittsburgh.
 7. Joseph Brown, born March 23, 1887, died Dec. 20, 1911. Very brilliant student,
just ready to preach.
- X. Charles C. Emerson married Cassie Conrade.

Children:

1. Oscar Burdette, born Aug. 23, 1875. M.E. Minister, Ellwood City, Pa. married Lulu
one daughter and one son.
2. Caroline Evangeline. born Oct. 10, 1879, married B. Cox. Three children.
3. John Conrad, born May 20, 1880 married.
4. Eliza Bassett, born Dec. 1882, married John Shelton.
5. Chelsea Irene, born Sept 4, 1887, married Ernest Gibson.
6. Blanche Elizabeth, born August 1, 1889.

IX. MARTHA BELDING BASSETT

Martha Belding Bassett daughter of Wm. and Elizabeth Stone Bassett, born December 1807, N.H., died --Lothrop, Warren Co., Iowa. Married Sidney Smith.

Children:

1. Francis
2. Ursula married Smith Baldwin .
3. Albert Bassett, M.D., Des Moines, Iowa. married 1. Elsie-- 2. Estelle Hinman.
4. Mary Ann married J.C. Webb. one daughter Ursula.
5. Harriett Amelia married Wesley Nickle.
6. Amanda. Deceased.
7. Christie, married Mary Williams.. M.E. Minister.
8. Leroy. married Ella--.

IX. MARY BASSETT

Mary Bassett , Daughter of Wm. and Elizabeth Stone Bassett, born Jan. 24, 1810, N.H. died Aug. 26, 1890 at Killbuck, Holmes Co., Ohio. married 1. Asahel Platt
2nd Jesse Morgan.

Children:

1. Harriett Morgan, married Dr. W m.C. Stout. Lived and died at Killbuck, Ohio
Children of Harriett Morgan:
 1. William, married Buffalo, N.Y.
 - 2 Mary Emeline (Maud) Widow Buffalo, N.Y.
 3. Vera, married --Davis, Killbuck, Ohio.

IX. SARAH ESTABROOK BASSETT

Born at Keene, N.H. April 9, 1812. Removed to Keene, Ohio, July 24, 1828.
Keene to Wheeling, W .Va. Wheeling to Cambridge, Ohio, March 24, 1870
Died Cambridge, June 22, 1902. Mothered Mary A., Harriett L., and Frank Maro Stone from 1874 to her death.

IX. LURA BASSETT

Born Keene, N.H. May 23, 1814. Married Killbuck, Ohio, Dec. 27, 1834. Golden
Wedding, Cambridge, Ohio, 1884, 12/27. Died Feb. 14, 1894 at Cambridge.
Her husband, Benjamin Butler Stone born near Cadig, Harrison Co., Ohio,
March 22, 1812. Died Cambridge, Ohio, April 30, 1891.
Only child, Maro Farwell Stone.

IX. Lura Bassett - daughter of Wm. and Elizabeth Stone Bassett (continued)

X. Only child - Maro Farwell Stone born Keene, Ohio Dec. 13, 1837. Married
Cleveland, Ohio, May 13, 1861, Died Cambridge, Ohio, April 30, 1877. His
wife - Mary Augusta Mix, born March 31, 1842, Batavia, N.Y. died Feb. 7, 1874,
Cambridge, Ohio.

XI Children:

Mary Augusta, June 28, 1862 Wheeling

Harriett Lura Bassett, Dec. 27, 1863, Wheeling. Died Oct. 29, 1927.

Frank Maro, Born Wheeling, W.Va., Feb. 11, 1866. Married Oct. 7, 1896,

Quaker City, Ohio, Sara Lucretia Keenan, born Sept. 18, 1869

XII Children of Frank Maro and Sara Lucretia Stone:

1. Margaret Bassett, July 20, 1897, Cambridge, Ohio. Married Forrest R. Wilson
(Jack) March 17, 1928, Cambridge, Ohio.

2. Frances Elizabeth, March 5, 1901, Clarksburg, W.Va.

3. Mary Virginia, April 19, 1902, Wheeling, W.Va.

4. Alice Louise. Aug. 3, 1906, Cambridge, Ohio, Married July 8, 1929
Reed Yoho, Cambridge Ohio

One daughter - Sara Jane, May 27, 1938

IX. HARRIETT BASSETT

Born 1818, died 1878, Princeton, Ill. Married Cyprian Jones.

Children:

1. Lucy - married Thos. Crossley

2. Howard

Lineage of Martha Belden (Belding) Wife of Samuel Bassett:

* Martha born 1756 Swanzy, N.H. died Keene N.H. 1842

Samuel Belding 1719--

Christian----- (Some say "Christie Ann")

Samuel Belding 1692 - 1732. Married 1717

Elizabeth Dickerson

Stephen Belding 1658

Mary Wells 1664 - 1751

Samuel Belding 1628/29 - 1713 bu Kippax, Yorkshire, England.

Mary ----- d. 1667

Richard Belding 1591 - d. 1655 Came to America 1631.

* Pension List of 1840 gives "Martha Bassett, age 84, Nathan Bassett, age 84"

Richard Belden's descent is traced to the following barons and Knights,

Magna Charta Barons:-

Richard de Clare

Gilbert de Clare

Henry de Bohun

W m. de Albini or D Aubigney

Roger Bigod

Hugh Bigod

John Fitz Robert

Saire de Quincy

John de Lacie

Geoffrey de Saye.

See Coat of Arms D.A.R. Magazine April, 1934.

Baildon is a township in the parish of Otley in the Wapentake of Skyrack in the West Riding, County of York on River Aire. It stands on a hill about 300 feet above the river and the name is derived from the terms meaning, "Hill of the Beacon". The ~~Manor~~ House, Baildon Hall was built 1553.

Data gathered at Baildon by Frances Belden Backus.

Before coming to Ohio, all of William Bassett's girls were industrious.

The three older girls Eliza, Martha, and Mary worked in a factory.

The younger ones braided straw for hats. William was a farmer. His father Samuel, lame from Bunker Hill was a cabinet maker.

Aunt Eliza Emerson and Aunt Mary Morgan visited us often and when they sat down to visit with Grandma and Auntie, my sister Harriett and I were usually where we could hear and gather family history. All of them were bright and well read and interested in everything as long as they lived. We had visitors from the children of Aunts Martha, Eliza and Mary.

We visited the Emersons in Pa. and Morgans in Holmes Co., Ohio. Grandma Stone had a brilliant mind, she became almost entirely deaf at 24 so reading took the place of society and I never knew a woman so well-informed in every way. She always had poor health after pneumonia in 1840. William Bassett accompanied the Farwells to Keene, Ohio, 1827. In the spring of 1828, "Aunt Polly" Farwell returned to New Hampshire to visit her parents and to bring her brother's family west. At Keene they hired two wagons and a man drove one and Aunt Polly ("Aunt Bob") the other. They drove to Troy, N.Y., took Erie Canal to Buffalo, then a lake boat. It stormend so on Lake Erie, they could not land at Cleveland and were carried on to Sandusky. When the storm abated they hired two wagons and drove to Keene, Ohio. Arrived July 24, 1828. At Sandusky, the Captain offered to carry them back to Cleveland but they had had enough water.

"Auntie", Sarah Bassett was a wonderful woman. They had all had good education and Auntie began to teach April 1, 1829, teaching 20 years. In 1841, Grandma's health was so poor, Auntie went to the Stone home in Dayton (1841) and thereafter mothered little Maro and kept house for all. Afterward they lived again in Keene, Cleveland, Wheeling, W.Va. They lived in Wheeling during the Civil War and Grandpa was in the Army (Capt.) and later Provost Marshall of 1st District of W.Va. After the war my grandfather and father had a shoe store. All were musical. Mamma played and sang, Papa played the organ in the Second Presby. Church in Wheeling and Grandpa led the choir in the First Presby. Church, taught music in the Public Schools of Wheeling and Vocal Music in the Young Ladies Seminary. After we moved to Cambridge, March 24, 1870, my grandfather, mother and father were in Cambridge First Presby. Choir each one until death. Grandpa led it after he was 78 when felt he couldn't sing, he played his wonderful violin. Our minister said he never knew a violin could get religion but that one had it.

~~Farewell~~ Family.

Frank, Harriett, and I were all in "Grandpa's Choir". I took my father's place and played the organ many years. Now Mary Virginia represents the fourth generation of Stones in our choir. She teaches music and English in High School in Coshocton Co.

Grandpa Stone had a very remarkable tenor voice and had had very fine training chiefly under the famous Lowell Mason. Dr. Mason wanted him to sing grand opera but Grandma's New England conscience forbade it.

One of my tenderest memories is of a visit in Sept. 1881 to Killbuck, Holmes Co., with Grandpa to see his brother ~~Samuel~~ Samuel Reed Stone several years older than he. Said Uncle Sam "Please sing for me, Ben" and the two stood together, silver heads close together and Grandpa sang the "Home of the Soul". Everyone present was deeply moved, the next time the brothers met ~~was~~ in Heaven for Samuel died 1885 and Grandpa in 1891. Our three dear old people were so fine to us, motherless, fatherless children; so kind, so good and youthful at heart. It is one of my dearest joys that we three were privileged to care for them all in their declining years.

Grandpa and Grandma lived until in their eightieth year and Auntie ~~was~~ just past 90. She was a wonderful Bible student. Quote a few words anywhere and she would go on and on and on. I remember once when I was impatient as to how things were going with us, she suggested I mark all the "loving Kindnesses" in the Psalms and I have my book so marked.

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DIED. 1880
At his residence in Indianapolis, on
Monday evening, Horace Bassett, Esq.
Mr. Bassett was the father of E. E. Bas
sett of this city, and at the time of his death
was Clerk of the United States District
Court. He was one of the old citizens of
Indianapolis, and highly respected by all
who knew him.

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